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SUBJECT: TURKISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS: ANNEX AND CHANGE LANGUAGE

1. SUMMARY: DURING JANUARY 12 SESSION, US TEAM

TABLES US PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR ARTICLE IV, ANNEXES,

CONSTRUCTION AND CHANGE (STATE 6143 DTG 100046Z JAN 76).

TURKISH TEAM CHIEF ASULA ACCEPTED US TEXT AS WORKING

DOCUMENT AND OFFERED REVISIONS TO MAKE IF SATISFACTORY TO

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GOT. END SUMMARY.

2. IN JANUARY 9 SESSION ASULA PRESENTED NEW TURKISH TEXT OF ANNEX AND CHANGE ARTICLE, WHICH EMBODIED PRINCIPAL FEATURES OF EARLIER TURKISH LANGUAGE. US TEAM ASKED THAT DISCUSSION BE POSTPONED UNTIL IT COULD PRESENT A NEW APPROACH. IN MEANTIME, US TEAM CHIARMAN EXPLAINED AT THE TABLE AND LATER TO ASULA PRIVATELY THAT US COULD NOT RPT NOT ACCEPT PRIOR GOT APPROVAL OF DECREASES IN AUTHORIZATIONS AND WAS INSTEAD ATTEMPTING TO FIND OTHER LANGUAGE TO MEET TURKS' POLITICAL CONCERNs.

3. AFTER US TEXT TABLED ON JANUARY 12, ASULA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR NEW US FORMULATION REGARDING CHANGES IN AUTHORIZATIONS WHICH HE CONSIDERED TO BE A POSITIVE APPROACH. ASULA THEN STATED THE REFERENCE TO JOINT USE ARRANGEMENTS TO BE SHOWN IN THE ANNEXES, AS IN FIRST SENTENCE OF TURKISH ARTICLE VII PARA 1, WAS TURKISH REQUIREMENT. HOWEVER, HE WOULD NOT INSIST ON IT APPEARING IN THIS ARTICLE, SUGGESTING THAT PERHAPS IT COULD BE INCLUDED IN MANNING AND TRAINING (US ARTICLE VI). IN RESPONSE TO US CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT THAT GOT CONCEPT OF JOINT USE ARRANGEMENTS IS NOT CLEAR TO US TEAM, ASULA RESPONDED THAT IT MEANT SUCH THINGS AS IDENTIFICATION OF PREMISES, AND PERHAPS EQUIPMENT TO BE USED JOINTLY OR EXCLUSIVELY BY EACH PARTY. AFTER REPEAT OF PRIOR ARGUMENTS BY BOTH TEAMS REGARDING LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 1, ASULA BACKED OFF PREVIOUS POSITION SOMEWHAT, ACCEPTING US RIGHT TO CONTROL PERSONNEL LEVELS WITHOUT QUALIFICATION. HE FURTHER STATED THAT GOT CONTROL OF INVENTORIES OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION IS ADEQUATELY COVERED IN ARTICLE ON IMPORT/EXPORT. HOWEVER, HE INSISTED THAT CHANGES WITHIN THE AUTHORIZATION OF MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO PRIOR CONSULTATION WHICH IS STRONGER THAN TURKISH PROPOSAL OF JANUARY 9.

4. AT APPARENT REQUEST OF TGS REPRESENTATIVES, ASULA STATED HE WISHED MAINTAIN FOR MOMENT HIS PARAGRAPH THREE IN BRACKETS. HE ASKED US TEAM, HOWEVER, TO CONSIDER WHETHER IT COULD PROVIDE TGS FULL LIST OF EQUIPMENT AT TIME AGREEMENT IS CONCLUDED, INDICATING THAT SUBSEQUENT REPORTING MIGHT BE RESTRICTED TO MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT ONLY.

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5. BOTH TEAMS AGREED THAT PARA THREE ON CONSTRUCTION AND CHANGE MIGHT BE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE ARTICLE, BUT NO MOVEMENT WAS MADE TOWARDS AN AGREED TEXT.

6. TEXT RELECTING GOT PROPOSED CHANGES FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT: ARTICLE IV

1. THE AGREED PURPOSE, MISSION, LOCATION, INSTALLATION
PLAN AND THE JOINT USE ARRANGEMENTS OF EACH
INSTALLATION AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF TURKEY SHALL BE SHOWN IN THE ANNEXES TO THIS AGREEMENT.
THESE ANNEXES SHALL ALSO INCLUDE AUTHORIZED
QUANTITIES OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION, THE AUTHORIZED NUMBERS
OF MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT AND THE AUTHORIZED STRENGTHS
OF THE US FORCE AND CIVILIAN COMPONENT. THESE AUTHORIZATIONS,
WHICH ARE APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF TURKEY, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE AMENDMENT
PROCEDURES FOR ANNEXES SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE III, PARAGRAPH
4 OF THIS AGREEMENT, WITHIN THESE AUTHORIZATIONS,
CHANGES IN THE LEVELS OF US
PERSONNEL SHALL BE REPORTED QUARTERLY TO THE APPROPRIATE TURKISH
AUTHORITIES.

CHANGES WITHIN THE AUTHORIZATIONS OF MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT
SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PRIOR CONSULTATION BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

2. THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
STATES SHALL PROVIDE TO THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY QUARTERLY REPORTS OF
INVENTORIES OF US ARMS AND AMMUNITION IN TURKEY, AND CHANGES IN THE
NUMBER OF MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT AS IDENTIFIED IN THE ANNEXES.
END TEXT.

7. COMMENT: WHILE WE ARE PLEASED ASULA ACCEPTED US
LANGUAGE REGARDING PERSONNEL LEVELS, TURKISH REFORMULATIONS
REGARDING EQUIPMENT PRESENT PROBLEMS. WE PLAN TO POSTPONE
FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THIS ARTICLE UNTIL WE HAVE SEEN NEW
TURKISH ARTICLE ON IMPORT/EXPORT.

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